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EUCOM PRIORITY

COMSIXTHFLT PRIORITY

USDOCOSOUTH NAPLES PRIORITY

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CTF SIX SEVEN PRIORITY

CTF SIX NINE PRIORITY

CTG SIX ZERO PT TWO

FOSIF ROTA SPAIN PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L TUNIS 3942

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SUBJECT: LIBYAN-TUNISIAN BOUNDARY DISPUTE

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1. AMERICAN LAWYERS WHO MET WITH TUNISIAN OFFICIALS OVER WEEK-END OBTAINED FROM PRESIDENT ROUROU OF ETAP (TUNISIAN STATE OIL COMPANY) FOLLOWING COORDINATES FOR "J. W. BATES" DRILLING SHIP:

34 DEGREES, 1 MINUTE, 1 SECOND NORTH/12 DEGREES, 34 MINUTES,

2 SECONDS EAST. THIS SITE SAID BY ETAP TO BE "WITHIN 300 METERS" OF RECENT DRILLING SITE OF "SCARABEO IV".

2. WELL BEING DRILLED BY "J.W. BATES" BELIEVED TO BE PROGRAMMED FOR 2500 METERS OR LESS. GOT SAID TO BE FOLLOWING PROGRESS VISUALLY FROM PATROL VESSELS. ESTIMATES FOR COMPLETION TIME VARY. CONSENSUS APPEARS TO BE THAT WELL COULD BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 16 (THREE WEEKS FROM MAY 26 SPUDDING)--AND POSSIBLY EARLIER--IF OPERATION GOES AT FULL SPEED AND THERE ARE NO MIS- HAPS. IF WELL DRILLED ON MORE ROUTINE AND TECHNICALLY SOUND BASIS, COMPLETION SUPPOSEDLY WOULD BE ON OR ABOUT JULY 7 (SIX WEEKS FROM SPUDDING).
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